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PATENT 36856.810

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tatsuo HARATANI et al.

Serial No.: 09/875,659

Filed: June 6, 2001

Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A CERAMIC ELECTRONIC PART

Art Unit: 3729

Examiner: A. Boswell

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **OFFICIAL**

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a TWO-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated March 19, 2003, or until August 19, 2003.

Enclosed is a Credit Card Payment form for \$410.00 to pay the TWO-month extension fee in accordance with Rule 1.17(a)(2).

The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Dated: August 18, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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